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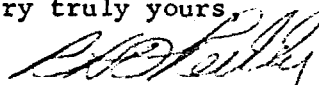
Dear Dr. Lederberg:

I wish to audit the course being offered this winter quarter by your Department entitled Medical Genetics 201, being held Thursday and Friday mornings at 11:00 A.M. As special permission is required from a faculty member, and I know no members of your faculty, I am writing directly to you. My interest in medical genetics stems from a family I first began studying in 1961 which demonstrated a hereditary resistance to anticoagulant drugs. This is the first described kindred of such a disorder and is apparently the first description of hereditary resistance to the biologic action of any drug. This year I have discovered a second family with an equal degree of resistance; so far, I have found the resistance in 11 members of the family. As you can see from the enclosed reprint, I have been breeding rats at Stanford with Dr. Judith Pool of the Department of Medicine that also have a hereditary resistance to anticoagulant drugs.

I am a member of the clinical faculty of the School of Medicine in the Department of Medicine. For personal references you may consult Dr. Avram Goldstein, Dr. Sumner Kalman, Dr. Judith Pool, Dr. Peter Rowley, or Dr. Lawrence Schneiderman.

Hoping there will be room for me in the classroom, I am

Very truly yours,



Robert A. O'Reilly, M.D., F.A.C.P.
Chairman
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We will be del. glad to have you.

Joshua Lederberg

cc: Prof. Bodman

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